

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

•

I FTTFR

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

DAN MEISBURGER 1507 MONTALBAN DRIVE SAN JOSE CA 95120-4830

COPY MAILED

OCT 1 6 2000

OFFICE OF PETITIONS
A/C PATENTS

In re Reissue Application of

Meisburger et al.

Reissue Application No. 09/502,534

Filed: February 10, 2000

Original Patent No. 5,717,204

Issue Date: February 10, 1998

For: INSPECTING OPTICAL MASKS WITH

ELECTRON BEAM MICROSCOPY

Dear Mr. Meisburger:

You are named as a joint inventor in the above-identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code), and 37 CFR 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Inquiries related to this communication may be addressed to the undersigned at (703) 305-1820. Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at (703) 308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to Certification Division at (703) 308-9726 or 1 (800) 972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).

Brian Hearn

Petitions Examiner Office of Petitions

Office of the Assistant Commissioner

for Patent Examination Policy

cc:

Fenwick & West LLP Two Palo Alto Sq Palo Alto, CA 94306